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Help Reduce Your Tax Rate... Attend Town Meeting Saturday

WILMINGTON CRUSADER PUBLISHER ELECTED TO BILLERICA BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The genial publisher of The Wilmington Crusader, Stanley J. Bocko, was elected to the Billerica Board of Selectmen, Saturday, with a total



of 1823. Mr. Bocko was sworn in by Town Clerk Mildred Westhaver, Sunday, in front of T.V. Channel Four cameras which appeared at 6:45 Monday evening.

At a pre-town meeting at the Memorial High School Auditorium, Sunday noon, which was open to the general public, Mr. Bocko submitted an economy plan which pared three dollars from their estimated tax increase.

Alarmed at the cost of the Town Budget which bids fair to increase substantially the cost to the average tax paying citizen of Billerica, Mr. Bocko will dedicate his time and efforts to bring about a stable system of operating the town, with a minimum of strain on the taxpayer.

Mrs. Stickney Dies In Lynn

Mrs. Charlotte Stickney, 70 of Lynn, passed away suddenly at her home on Tuesday, February 26.

Mrs. Stickney is survived by three sons: Oliver H. Newcomb, of Wilmington, Edward S. Newcomb of Bridgewater, and George Newcomb, of Billerica. She is also survived by four sisters: Bertha Pedrick of Lynn, with whom Mrs. Stickney had been making her home, Mrs. Ellen Dewhurst and Olive Murray, of Springfield and Myra Nickola of California.

Funeral services were held from the Joseph B. McMahon Funeral Home at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, by Rev. William Rose of Lynn. Interment was in Pinegrove Cemetery in Lynn. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Joseph B. McMahon.

Money Found

In the mail collection box at the corner of Parker and Lowell Streets a small envelope containing a sum of money was picked up by the mail carrier. It was evidently dropped in by mistake, by someone who had deposited some letters. The owner may have same by calling at the Wilmington Post Office.

TOWN ELECTION RESULTS - DON KIDDER IN SPECTACULAR VICTORY

Ideal weather conditions provided no inducement to the voters of Wilmington, Saturday, as only 2158 voters made use of their God given, man protected right to vote. Of the 4300+ registered voters in the Town, less than 50 percent went to the polls to elect the men who will serve them for the next three or five years.

The chair on which Charles Black has sat as a Selectman for the past 20 years has become wobbly, as evidenced by the amount of votes cast in favor of Donald C. Kidder, a newcomer in the field of politics, who outpolled Mr. Black by a count of 981 to 922.

E. Hayward Bliss, in his unsuccessful bid for re-election, polled 778 votes, while Paul G. Godzyk collected a surprising 485. Harold E. Smith was next with a disappointing 385, followed by Alden S. Eames with 385.

Ernest Crispo and John F. Hartnett were successful in their bids for re-election to the School Committee, but were closely followed by the

challenger Frederic P. Melzar.

It was Simon Cutter for Moderator, unopposed, with a total vote of 1827.

The Wilmington Housing Authority gained a new member in Kenneth Howard Neagle, who won quite handily over Joseph Meehan.

The voting was as follows:

SELECTMAN - 3 YEARS

Charles H. Black 922

E. Hayward Bliss 778

Alden S. Eames 385

Paul G. Godzyk 485

Donald C. Kidder 981

Harold E. Smith 395

WILMINGTON HOUSING

AUTHORITY - 5 YEARS

Joseph Meehan 667

Kenneth H. Neagle 1240

TOWN MODERATOR -

1 YEAR

Simon Cutter 1827

SCHOOL COMMITTEE -

3 YEARS

Ernest M. Crispo 1240

John F. Hartnett 1489

Frederic P. Melzar 1128

The final count was completed early, and immediately after, the victors were sworn in by Mrs. Mary Gilligan, Town Clerk.

Richard Woller Places Third

Inspired by his 79 year old grandmother's desire to see him win a trophy Richard Woller fought a hard battle in the Merrimack Valley Speed Skating Championships held at Amesbury on Sunday, February 17.



Richard, 9 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Woller of Main St., placed third in the Midget Boys class, coming in before an entrant from Brookline. This rather remarkable performance was given following only two months of training.

SELECTMEN'S MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC

At a Selectmen's Meeting held Monday night, it was voted to allow the public into Selectmen's meetings with certain restrictions. This paper will make every effort to present the actions of the Board at their meetings in a proper manner, and to give to its readers a complete and comprehensive breakdown of subject matter, vital to the Town of Wilmington.

V. F. W. MOVIE MATINEE

The Saturday showing of movies at the V.F.W. hall will feature "Abbott and Costello meet Frankenstein" along with a serial and cartoons.

Movies start at 2:00 p.m. and are generally over at 4:15. Bring your children down and feel at ease while shopping. Capable supervision and a sincere desire to perform community service.

Massachusetts launched its Tree Fram program in 1948.

AREN'T YOU INTERESTED?

Last Saturday was Town Election Day. 2158 voters out of 4500 took the time to go to the polls and use the privilege of their vote to put into office the people of their choice.

This Saturday, is Annual Town Meeting Day. Starting 1:30 in the afternoon, every registered voter in this town has the right to take part in the active management of this town.

Just think. One day a year, articles are brought up to the public eye, appropriations are proposed, tax rates are determined, budgets are presented and money is spent or saved.

Aren't you interested in your future tax rate? Don't you care how your money is spent?

Town hall meetings are the oldest of the tried and proven methods of local government. The will of the people decide the issues at stake.

2158 out of 4500 voters represent only 48 per cent of the total voting power. Did you vote Saturday? Will you be at the Town Meeting this Saturday?

The town faces a high tax increase. At present, if all the articles on the warrants, dealing with money action, are voted against, your tax rate is estimated at around \$65.00, this rate could be increased still higher if the money articles are voted for. Don't you care?

We sincerely urge you to attend this town meeting this Saturday, study the articles on the warrants, notice the recommendations of your elected officials, (they represent you) and then vote.

LOCAL BOY BURNED

John Connorton, ten year old son of Mrs. Isobel Connorton of Woodside Ave., narrowly escaped serious injury when a heater exploded at his home. He is confined to the Choate Hospital with first degree burns of the face. Luckily his clothing was not ignited. James is a fourth grade pupil at the Wildwood School.

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BATTLE LOOMS OVER ARTICLE 18

"This year a new issue confronts the voters and taxpayers of the town, that of becoming oldtimers and electing the assessors of the town. We fully realize that we may be oldtimers, but where one has a more probable argument we are duty bound to follow this out," stated Gus Cuoco, President of the Wilmington Taxpayers Association.

He further stated: At present our board of assessors is

appointed by the town manager. Quoting from a release of the Baldwin Civic Association of March, 1956. We do not believe that our town manager plan is perfect.

In future years modifications may be advisable so that our system of government will be best adapted to local conditions and will grow with the town.

We strongly believe that an improvement in our present form of town government could capably be affected by the election of the board of assessors and that we have a more probable argument for the board being elected from the following reasons:

(a) We have a right and duty to vote for our public

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EGYPT TO WILMINGTON



Vincent James Castellano is only three months old, but quite a bit of living has been crammed into his young life, and quite a bit of history is behind his very existence.

The chances of a boy from Wilmington, Mass., U.S.A. and a girl from Alexandria, Egypt, meeting and marrying are remote. But the USA sent its men to Rome, and King Farouk left his throne and many Europeans living in Egypt returned to the countries of their ancestors. And so, on Feb. 4, Vincent, accompanied by his lovely young mother Lucy, arrived in Wilmington to begin the second chapter of his life.

Lucy Castellano was born in Egypt, as were her parents before her, although they were Italian nationals. She attended a French school and there learned to speak five languages. Her English is excellent, she also speaks not only Italian and French but Greek and Arabic, one of the more difficult languages.

When things became unsettled in Egypt, Lucy and her parents went to Rome, where Lucy worked at the Souvenir Counter at the Air

base. On Thanksgiving Day, Airman 1st Class Michael Castellano, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Castellano of Hopkins St. got up enough courage to speak to Lucy and the following April they were married. The ceremony was performed in the Shrine of Divine Love, which was found when work was started on the church built above it. The tiny church is one of the oldest in Rome.

Vincent was baptised in St. Peter's church, Vatican City, and has flown the Atlantic. His father was one of those commended by the Italian Ambassador for taking part in the famed "Operation Snowbound" last year when the Air Force dropped food packages to the stricken villages of Sicily. Quite a history for such a little boy!

Knights of Columbus News

The next regular meeting of the Father Coppens Council No. 4336 will be held at 8:00 p.m. Sunday, March 10, at St. Williams Hall. All members are urged to be present.

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SUSAN

One of the Crusader's staff of "Newsboys" is Miss Susan Moore of 41 Morse Ave. An eleven year old, sixth grade student at the Wildwood School, Susan hopes to be a nurse.

A Girl Scout, Susan is interested in photography.



painting and camping. She has delivered the Crusader on Woburn Street between Lowell St. and the Woburn line for the past fourteen months and is always glad to serve new customers.

ST. THOMAS' NEWS

The C.D.A. Mission Club is appealing for your worn sheets, linen cloths, mens' white shirts, etc. If you have any, please contact Mrs. Eleanor Day, Powder House Circle.

The Novena of Grace takes place from March 4 to 12. It should stimulate the life of the parish and bring favors aplenty. Read this week's Pilot article on novenas for information concerning their value. The half hour service will consist of community prayers and

hymns, instructions, Benediction, blessing with a true relic of St. Francis and Confessions afterwards. Any parishioner wishing to donate a statue of St. Francis may have the privilege.

Ash Wednesday marks the start of Lent. Ashes will be distributed at the services, viz: 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and 3:15 and 7:45 p.m.

On Friday, Stations of the Cross and novena prayers at 3:15 and 7:30 p.m.

Saturday is the Town Meeting. Our parishioners should be represented.

Next Sunday is Girl Scout Sunday, Catholic Girl Scouts of our parish will receive Holy Communion at the 8:00 Mass.

Confirmation for adults will be administered at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross at 2:30 p.m. Candidates should make arrangements with the priests first.

The TV Mass at 9:15 a.m. will be sponsored by the Woburn area Holy Name Societies.

Communion day for the men of the parish, especially the Holy Name Society is next Sunday.

Gratitude to all who helped the C.D.A. with the Blitz Party on Thursday night.

MILDRED ROGERS MOTHERS CLUB

The Mildred Rogers Mothers Club monthly meeting will be held at the Silver Lake Betterment Hall, Monday, March 11, at 8:30 p.m. Because of the Lenten season, the supper party planned for this meeting has been cancelled.

The guest speaker will be Mrs. John Crowley, and her topic is: "Girl Scouts and Brownies".

PINWOOD CIRCLE

President Sadie Gildart presided at the meeting of the Pinewood Circle held February 27, at her home on Cook Avenue. Mrs. Gildart was celebrating her wedding anniversary, and served a lovely chicken dinner to the members, assisted by Mrs. Frances Calandrello.

All members were present. Lena Henders, one of the older members of the group, was present as a guest, and Bertha Jenkins won the door prize.

The next meeting of the circle will be held on Wed., March 27, at the home of Bertha Jenkins, Cook Ave.

All members are expected to attend, as the election of officers for the coming year will be held at this time.

TWO BOYS CELEBRATE THE SAME BIRTHDAY

Two boys living across the street from each other and who were born only a few hours apart celebrated their birthdays last week.

Approximately 10 young friends aided John Burke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burke of 513 Woburn St., in celebrating his seventh birthday on Saturday, March 2.

The lively group of youngsters enjoyed games and festivities throughout the afternoon and the highlight of the affair arrived with the cutting of the delightfully decorated birthday cake. The cake, made in the form of a castle was even equipped with mounted guards which fascinated guests.

Many fine gifts were received by the guest of honor, including a gun and holster set.

So as not to conflict with the party being given for his friend and neighbor, Alan Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Green of 514 Woburn St., celebrated his birthday on Friday, March 1.

On the evening, before his party, Alan was treated to a movie by his parents, as part of his birthday celebration. The picture, "Westward Ho The Wagons" was thoroughly enjoyed by the guest of honor.

Twelve friends and relatives joined in celebrating Alan's seventh birthday, at his home on Friday, where a beautifully decorated birthday cake was presented to him and many fine gifts were received.

N. A. R. C. E.

The next meeting of Chapter, 507 of the National Association of Civil Employees, will be held in Room 19, Municipal Building, Reading Square, on Friday, March 8, at 2:30 p.m.

There will be further discussion of pending legislation affecting retirees and a group hospitalization plan.

Social hour with light refreshments will follow the business meeting. The corresponding secretary is: Mr. E.A. Brown, 28 Oak St., Reading.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. HAMILTON

Mrs. Helen Joy Hamilton of Floridale Ave., passed away very suddenly at her home on Sunday evening, Feb. 24. Mrs. Hamilton was born in Somerville 40 years ago and came to Wilmington at the age of 10. She has been a resident of this town since that time. She graduated from Wilmington High School with the class of 1934.

Besides her husband, Gordon A. Hamilton, she is survived by her son, John Walter Hamilton and her father, John Joy Hamilton both of Floridale Ave. She is also survived by three sisters: Mrs. Lillian Clow, of Natick, Mrs. Beatrice Bronson, of Melbourne, Florida and Mrs. Florette Buttiglieri.

Funeral services were conducted from the Guy E. Nichols Funeral Home on Wednesday, February 27, at 2:00 p.m. by Rev. Richard Harding, of the Methodist Church. Interment was in the Wildwood Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Guy E. Nichols.

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SUNDAY EVENING LENTEN SERVICE AT METHODIST CHURCH
MARCH 10 - 7 P.M.

The Rev. Newell S. Booth, Jr., pastor of the Arlington Heights Methodist Church will bring the message at the Lenten Sunday Evening Service at the Methodist Church, Sunday, March 10 at 7 p.m. Mr. Booth will preach on the topic: "Who Do You Say That I Am?" This is the second in a series of Lenten Services dealing with the theme: "Christ and Life's Great Issues." A fine group were in attendance at the first service last Sunday night.

The Rev. Booth was born in Boston and at the age of two went to the Belgian Congo with his parents who are Methodist Missionaries. His father, Newell S. Booth, Sr. is now one of the Methodist Bishops in Africa. Mr. Booth remained in Africa for ten years then returned to the United States to further his education. He is a graduate of Boston University College of Liberal Arts.

Boston University School of Theology, and he received his doctorate degree from Boston University Graduate School in June of 1956. He has participated in Methodist work camps in Mexico and France. Mr. Booth is married to Mary Louise Jones of North Carolina and is the father of one daughter.

Recently he addressed over 1500 hundred persons at the Greater Lowell Council of Protestant Churches University of Life program where he spoke on Africa. He is in great demand as a Christian minister. His scholarship is highly recognized. This combined with a deep religious commitment gives great meaning to his message.

There will be a period for singing the great hymns of the church and the devotional period will be conducted by members of the Senior Methodist Youth Fellowship. Families and friends of the church are invited to set aside this special period during Lent.

MENUS

All menus subject to change without notice.

Week of March 11, 1957

Monday

Hamburger Patty
Buttered Noodles
Stewed Tomatoes
Bread & Butter
Fruit - Milk

Tuesday

Dagwood's
Potato Chips
Buttered Carrots & Peas
Chocolate Mounds
Milk

Wednesday

Baked Macaroni & Cheese with Tomatoes
Cole Slaw
Italian Bread & Butter
Orange & Grapefruit Sections
Milk

Thursday

Roast Pork & Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Peas
Dark Bread & Butter
Fruit Pudding
Milk

Friday

Oven Baked Fish Puffs
Scalloped Potatoes
Buttered Green Beans
Bread & Butter
Apples - Milk

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Dear Mabel,

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For gosh sakes, gal, don't you realize that we know just about everything there is to know about that "dandy" hen-fruit of yours. And just about everybody in town is talking about them anyway - so why waste your breath?

But, let's get on the track, Mabel. Give us the latest scoop on Old

Hal and those other DRIVE-IN fellers. Also, what's up with Cousin Gussie? Is she still over there in East Billerica? Or has she taken off again for one of those eventful excursions down there in East Slippery Rock, Ark?

Heard a rumor the other day that Gussie's hat is in the ring for the latest scoop on Old

ber! Well, I kind of hate to be this blunt with you Mabel, but remember that big fizzle last summer when Gussie got the parking lot all messed up with gravel trucks and black-top folks in the midst of the big summer rush? And those foolish "Come - and - go doors" that got everybody mad as a hat at Old Hall!

Maybe Gussie's planning ability has improved since then. Let's hope so - especially if she gets onto the town Planning Board?

Well, what do you say, Mabel? How about it? What's the scoop at that popular DRIVE-IN place? And let's forget this "egg-business"!

Yours,
X. Actly

P.S. And don't please give me that "Cock-a-doodle-doo business!"

X. Actly
Dear X. Actly,
Cook-a-doodle-doo!
As Always,
Mabel

P.S.
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P.P.S.
Baker's dozen, that is!
Mabel



Talk Of The Town

By Hank Filippone

THE OLD PHILOSOPHER

says that the path to a friend's home is never long.

WELL -- the elections are over and to the winners go our well wishes. In an era of record budgets, record

tax rates, record school costs, each official should take care of his own record, as that is what he will have to stand on in the future.

Next Saturday, March 9, at 1:30 p.m., the town will

meet to vote on the various articles on the warrant of the annual town meeting. This affair will take place in the High School Gymnasium, and is expected to be well attended and lively. Remember, every dollar you vote to spend will be reflected in your tax rate, so think, consider the article and its value, before you vote.

Article 18 will be the one to watch. This article calls for the Board of Assessors to be voted for by the people rather than appointed by the Town Manager. Arguments will be presented by both sides of the question and it is expected to be lively.

Articles 19 and 20 will be pertaining to Sewerage.

Article 21 is on the Stand-pipe.

Article 36 is on the new police station.

Article 38 is on the Glen Road School.

Article 40 and 41 are on the purchase of new fire trucks.

When you look at the estimated tax rates of our surrounding towns and our own, we can only hope that in the near future, the leveling off point will be reached, and that our real tax rate will be more or less stable.

Highlight of the recent election was the fact that Donald C. Kidder polled more votes than the almost unshakable Charles Black. After the votes had been counted and St. Cutter was reading the results, an audible gasp of surprise was heard when Don Kidder's total was read off. Pre-election predictions were that he would not receive 300 votes, but the easy manner in which Don presented himself to the people during his campaign left no doubt in observers' minds that he would make a good showing. After the count Don Kidder was so full of emotion that the tears came to his eyes, then Mrs. Gilligan said "Stop your crying, Don, we don't want you crying at the meeting, we want you fighting."

Ernie Crispo was elected for the 6th consecutive term, proof indeed that the people of Wilmington are satisfied with his work on the school committee. John Hartnett was elected for his 4th consecutive term. I mention this because it is evident that people as a rule go along with hard and conscientious

workers and show their appreciation at the polls.

The Wilmington Democratic Committee are planning a Victory Ball to be held at Marty's Penthouse, Lowell, June 1, this year. His Excellency, Foster Furcolo, Governor of this State, is expected to attend, along with other leading State Officials. As Chairman of this Banquet and Ball, I am saving the first ticket for Mrs. Mary Gilligan, and hope to seat her right next to the Governor.

Every day I drive by the charred remains of Tunney's old warehouse and each day it looks worse. Can't something be done to remedy this disgraceful looking condition? It certainly detracts from the beauty of that particular stretch of Main Street and doesn't help Rocco's or the Shamrock Drive-In.

Have you tried some of Bob Evans barbecued chicken? At his new place in Woburn Center, you can enjoy your favorite bird in neat and wholesome surroundings, and Bob is always happy to greet his customers, especially when they are from his own town of Wilmington.

The Aberthaw Construction Co. is wasting no time at the AVCO site. Their heavy ground equipment has already left great gashes in the ground and the trees that are to be saved and used are fenced in. The construction sheds are up and it leaves no doubt in the observers' mind that the program will be completed on schedule.

Spotted T. M. Courtney's car in Fred Cain's garage with the front end all pushed in. Icy roads and no sand does make it tough on a driver.

Roy's Bargain Store is still offering the people of Wilmington their bargain prices on premium merchandise, under the direction of Mrs. Roy.

Rocco DiNatale of Rocco's was surprised to learn that I've known him for so many years while a resident of East Boston. Rocco is a guy to meet to enjoy.

The old movie house is undergoing a face-lifting process, prior to the opening of Tunney's Warehouse Furniture Store. The outside of the building will be completely done over and should pre-



KING DANCE STUDIO

The younger set of Wilmington are fortunate to be able to avail themselves of the opportunity of learning to dance at the King School of Dance currently holding lessons at the V.F.W. Hall on Main St. on Thursday afternoons from 2-5.

Miss Rene King and her attractive mother also conduct studios in Lexington, Watertown and Burlington. Boys and girls from three

years up are learning tap, toe, ballet, soft-shoe and modern jazz dancing at the weekly sessions.

The children are grouped by age group when they begin and then are placed according to their ability. There are about thirty-five pupils enrolled at the present. The school, which opened in October, is accepting applications for new students.

THIRD DAUGHTER WELCOMED

Mr. and Mrs. James Ernest Lester of Strout Ave., Wilmington, welcomed a baby daughter, Marcia, at noon on Sunday, March 3, at Winchester Hospital.

Marcia has two sisters, Deborah, who attends the Wildwood School, and Cheryl. The three lucky sisters have a brother, James Scott, (or should we say he is lucky for having three sisters).

HEART FELT THANKS

Nancy Clark of County Real Estate, who was chairman of the Heart Fund Drive in Wilmington sends her heart felt thanks to all who worked on the Heart Fund Campaign.

The final returns showed about \$1,000, excluding special gifts. The generosity of the people of Wilmington is very much appreciated.

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LENTEN BIBLE STUDY CLASS AT METHODIST CHURCH TO BEGIN FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 7:30 P.M.

A Lenten Bible Study Class on the Letters of Paul will begin on Friday, March 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the Methodist Church. The group will meet for a short time this meeting in order to attend the World Day of Prayer Service in the Congregational Church. On the following Friday nights of Lent the class will meet from 8 to 9 p.m.

"THE CALL TO HONESTY" SERMON THEME AT METHODIST CHURCH

The Rev. Richard E. Harding, pastor of the local Methodist Church will continue his series of messages on the Ten Commandments on Sunday, March 10, at 9:15 and 11 a.m. by preaching on the theme: "The Call to Honesty," based on the eighth commandment, "Thou shalt not steal."

During the worship services one of the laymen of the church will speak of the need for the second Building Fund

Crusade which will be held early in April.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Friday, March 8 - 3:30 p.m. New Life Bible Club, for high schoolers. (interdenominational) at the home of Marjorie Reardon, Marlon St. Guest speaker, Norm Mackay, Senior at Reading High School.

Saturday, March 9 - B.Y.F. Sports night at the Somerville YMCA. Car caravan will leave the Grange Hall at 7:00 p.m. For high schoolers, post this add. Young

married couples. Use of game room, gym, pool.

Sunday, March 10 - 10:00 a.m. Church school for all ages, pre-school thru adults. 11:10 a.m. Morning worship service. The pastor will continue his exposition of the Gospel of the Bible. The message "What a Word Is This!" is based on Luke 4:31-44.

4:30 p.m. The B.Y.F. will leave the Grange Hall for a Gospel Team trip to the Green St., Baptist Church, Melrose.

7:30 p.m. Evangelistic Service, the pastor will preach

on "Three Things Every Christian Should Know".

Tuesday, March 12, 7:30 p.m. "Hour of Power" informal Bible Study, Singspiration and prayer.

Wednesday, March 13 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the home of Roger Nichols, 98 Church St.

Safety Tip: Take pride in your driving, says the AAA. Be known as the driver who Always observes the signs and signals - who signals whenever he intends to turn or stop. The Best Drivers do, you know.

Ladies Auxiliary To Meet

A regular meeting of the ladies auxiliary with Ida Solo presiding will be held on March 3, 1957 at 8:00 p.m. at the Synagogue Social Hall on Salem St., North Wilmington.

Arrangements for a Purim Party will be completed. Anyone interested in joining the Auxiliary is cordially invited to do so. For further information you may call Mrs. Sylvia Levine at OL 8-2000.

Why your telephone company is asking for a price increase on some of its services.

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OUR PRICES BASED ON '54 COSTS

Present-day prices for telephone service in Massachusetts are based on costs as they existed in 1954.

Since then, the cost of almost everything we use has increased substantially for us, just as it has for you. Prices of building materials, supplies, trucks, telephone equipment, and nearly every other item required in telephone construction and maintenance, are higher than ever.

WAGES—OUR BIGGEST EXPENSE

Wages represent our biggest cost in the job of providing you with telephone service. Wages alone make up about two thirds of our operating expenses before taxes.

We have put into effect a great many operating economies and cut costs still further through technical improvements. We are continuing to do so, wherever and whenever we can. But these are not enough.

Our big problem comes from the fact that all of our expenses, including wages, are increasing more rapidly than our revenues.

MEETING DEMAND COSTLY

To provide new service for those who want it, and to maintain and improve the quality of service to present users has required an average outlay for telephone construction of over \$1 million a week during the last five years.

This has required more and more equipment, buildings, and lines—all costing more than they did a few years ago.

BETTER SERVICE

In your home or in your business, you need good telephone service. But more than that, it should be constantly improving. We believe you are aware of the progress we have made.

Today, 81 per cent of Massachusetts telephone users have fast, modern, local dial service.

This represents a great advance over four years ago when only 65 per cent of telephone users had dial service.

In addition, many customers may now dial direct to Massachusetts and New England points beyond their local calling areas, and even to New York and Philadelphia. More of this direct distance dialing is planned, and it will be only one of many improvements now scheduled for your telephone service.

VITAL TO ECONOMIC PROGRESS

Our program of improvement and expansion has meant employment and wages for many groups of men and women. Millions of dollars have been spent in the last five years for new buildings and building additions in 165 different locations throughout the state. Much of this money went to masons, carpenters, electricians, plumbers, and other Massachusetts workers.

Materials and supplies have been bought from hundreds of Massachusetts merchants and manufacturers. For last year alone, these purchases amounted to over \$1½ millions weekly.

All of this was in addition to the effect of wages earned and spent right here in Massachusetts by 31,000 telephone men and women.

THE ANSWER

Our problem results from the increased costs of providing service and service improvements. The many economies we have put into effect will not do the job.

The plain truth is that the income we now receive from present rates will not continue to cover all of these costs and adequately maintain our credit.

The answer can be found only in the modest increase in rates we are now requesting.

Saint Thomas' Minstrel Show

Saint Thomas opened its second Annual Minstrel Show on Sunday, March 3, under the direction of Al Mitchell and his group. There was a large turnout of enthusiastic talent. The committee is as follows:

Honorary Chairman, Reverend John J. Regan; General Chairman, John F. Kenney; Ad Book, Chairman, Marie Deegan, Amanda Brabant, Lorraine Brennick, Peter Enos, Edward Gallagher, Thomas Grinley, Ruth Howell, Louis Kleynen, Jr., Joseph J. Peters, Alexander Quandt, Mary Quandt, John Ritchie, George Spinney, Harold White, John Win-

ters; Tickets, Joseph J. Peters; Patrons and Patronesses, Brenda Corcoran, Carmel Gillis, Dolly Hand; Treasurer, George Spinney; Interlocutor, Frank J. Hagerty.

ROBERT McEVOY ON DEAN'S LIST AT TUFTS

Robert W. McEvoy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick McEvoy of Kiernan Ave., has been named to the Dean's list at Tufts University, it was announced by Dr. Harry P. Burden, dean of the College of Engineering.

A graduate of Somerville High, Somerville, Mr. McEvoy is a junior in the Tufts University College of Engineering.

Announce Birth Of Twins

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mulholland of Shawheen Ave., are receiving congratulations on the birth of their twin daughters, Diane and Donna, born on February 17 at Winchester Hospital.

The Mulhollands have five other children: Francis, Barry, Mary-Allen, Kenneth and Judith.

MANY PHONES ADDED

With its operations geared to the accelerated pace of the New England economy, the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company in 1956 added 139,652 telephones, Erskine N. White, Company president says in his annual report to stockholders.

He reported that this increase was the largest ever experienced by the Company, except for the period right after World War II, and that it brought total telephones in service to 2,818,962.

He called 1956 "one of the most active years in the history of our business" - a year in which the Company made the largest investment in new improved facilities, and a year in which employment, revenues and expenses increased and more new capital was brought into the business.

"While earnings in invested capital were at a date somewhat above the average postwar level," Mr. White said, "they declined from 6.32 per cent for the preceding year to 6.26 per cent for

the year 1956. Net income, per share was \$9.01 compared with \$8.95 for the year before. But, for the last quarter, the annual rate had dropped to \$8.85 reflecting the addition of 611,000 new shares in September.

"Truly the year 1956 pointed up the difficult problem of building, expanding and improving facilities on a large scale during a period of rising costs. But we cannot select the period that is most favorable for our expansion. We must build to meet public demands for service whenever they are made upon us - confident that through operating economies and increases in the prices we charge for telephone service whenever they are necessary, adequate earnings can be maintained."

Mr. White's report brings out: That the Company's expenditures for new construction in 1956 amounted to \$111,000,000 - that construction in 1957 and 1958 will exceed \$220,000,000 - that the construction program the Company embarked on after the war has amounted to \$633,000,000 to date - that the present total plant investment of \$904,000,000 may reach \$1 billion before the end of 1957.

"Because of the construction job for the next two years amounting to \$220,000,000," Mr. White said, "large amounts of additional new capital will be required. It will be necessary to undertake periodic permanent financing of our short term borrowings by

the issuance of stock or debt securities. In view of the current tight money market, it is all the more necessary that our credit be preserved through the maintenance of satisfactory earnings levels in order to carry out this financing successfully."

Mr. White noted that the plant investment per average Company telephone has gone up from \$220 in 1946 to \$302 in 1956 and that this rise resulted from increasing construction costs during the period.

"In a business like ours," he said, "it is very important that the prices we charge for service be kept in line with the higher investment required to provide it. In fact, it is necessary that this increasing investment be anticipated in establishing rates for telephone service."

Mr. White pointed also to continually rising costs of operation and cited wages as the Company's biggest single cost providing service, or about two-thirds of operating expenses, not counting taxes. As to taxes, he said the Company's total operating taxes in 1956 rose to a little less than \$50,000,000, an increase of 11.6 per cent over 1955, and were the Company's biggest tax bill ever.

"Through operating economies and greater efficiency," he said, "steps are regularly being taken to offset these continually increasing costs of operation. Substantial as these steps have been and will continue to be, they are far from adequate to

overcome the impact of wage, material and tax increases which have so characterized this postwar inflationary period."

Mr. White's report said that the 1956 growth in the Company's business included many services newly available. He cited particularly the service features such as answering and recording sets, push-button telephones, cordless switchboards, speaker-phones, mobile radio and teletype services as playing new roles in thousands of New England industrial and commercial firms.

The report also described many service improvements and cited as the biggest strides the provision of dial equipment for the handling of both local and long distance calls. During the year, 49 more central offices were converted to dial operation. At the end of the year dial-operated telephones were 81 per cent of the Company's total telephones, as compared with 50 per cent in 1945.

With reference to further installations during 1956 of Direct Distance Dialing - which permits telephone users themselves to dial certain distant cities and towns - the report said, "A real start has been made in the introduction of this new method of handling long distance calls."

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WILMINGTON DEFEATS KEITH ACADEMY 5-0

by Bill Fay

The Wilmington High hockey team rolled to a lopsided 5-0 victory over Keith Academy, of Lowell on Feb. 5, at the Skating Rink on Chestnut Street.

The local boys proved too much for the visitors as they scored twice in the second period and three times in the third frame to put the game on ice.

The first goal of the game was registered by Charlie Reid, left-winger for Wilmington. It was a good shot from close in and broke the ice midway through the second stanza. John McCabe, scrappy right-winger tallied two minutes later on a screen shot from thirty feet out and gave the locals a

2-0 edge.

The boys didn't cool off however and midway through the third period John Brown tallied from close in and it was 3-0. Seconds later it was Charlie Reid again, for his second goal of the game. John Brown then promptly tallied for his second goal and that completed the scoring for the day.

Sam Cavalaro had a comparatively easy day for the winning six. He did make several good stops, however, and looks better every game.

As shown by the score, Wilmington outskated their opponents, who, like Wilmington, had played only one previous tilt losing to St. John's Prep. by the same score. There will be another game between the two teams at a date not yet determined.

SECRETARIAL CONFERENCE

by June Goss

On Wednesday, February 13, a secretarial conference for juniors and seniors was held in room 211, at 10:35.

Mr. Ball, the personnel manager at Raffi & Swanson was our guest speaker. In his interesting talk on the duties of a secretary, he listed the following ten as being the most important:

1. Promptness (Essential for a smooth running office)
2. Neatness (Both in work and appearance)
3. Accuracy (Check for grammatical errors before passing work in)
4. Ability (To follow directions)
5. Confidentiality (Work should not be made known to outsiders)
6. Importance of Your Work (Realize the value and do it importantly)
7. Initiative (Be able to go ahead and do a job without having to be told)
8. Respect for Employees (Getting along with others becomes easier)
9. Getting Along with Fellow Workers (Helps to promote a pleasant atmosphere in the office)
10. Importance of Short-hand (Important in order to rise to be a private secretary)

After Mr. Ball concluded his estimate of a good secretary, he answered questions asked by the students. His topic was very helpful and was appreciated by all. It made clearer what students should expect and what will be expected of them when they enter the secretarial field.

ALL-STAR DEFEAT DRACUT CHAMPS 53-50

by Ruth Howell

On Wednesday, February 20, the All-Star Basketball team, which consists of two players from each surrounding town in the suburban

league, defeated the top team of the area. The undefeated Dracut girls had played 10 games. Members of the Champion team are: Co-Captains J. Griffith and J. Dockett, others are Burns, Dawson, Grondine, DuForm, Johnson, Ryder, Cutrumbes, Goler, and M. Dockett.

The All-Stars were led by Burlington's Mary Bennett with 21 points, other members of the team were: J. White of Burlington, P. Leahy and N. Aspell of Tewksbury, D. Paradise and J. Myhaver of North Andover, B. Morrow and J. Crowley of Chelmsford, J. Erickson and N. Harrington of Billerica, and Gwen Fisher and Ruth Howell represented Wilmington.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

by Ruth Howell

On Friday, February 15, the Tewksbury squad visited Wilmington's court for their final game of the season. The result was in Wilmington's favor, 45-30.

Members of the Wilmington line-up are: G. Fisher, J. Rossille, P. Cushing, N. Bennett, A. Sullivan, R. Howell, R. Gatta, M. Dawson, C. Randell, J. Page, E. Carnes, J. Lewis, A. Galks, and M. Rice.

High scorer was Gwen Fisher, with 27 points; other points were scored by J. Rossille, P. Cushing, N. Bennett and A. Sullivan.

Referees were: Mr. Merrill and Mr. Cizek.

The girls ended the season with four victories. However, Miss McCarthy feels that with the experience gained this year, next year's team will be even more successful.

NOTICES

Tryouts for the 1957-1958 Football Cheerleaders are being held during the weeks of February 25 through March 3.

On Monday, February 25, there was a meeting of the year book staff, to determine the handling of the Superlatives of the yearbook. All papers are due back Thursday, February 28.

CUPID'S CAPER

"CUPID'S CAPPER," an informal dance presented by the senior class of 1957 in honor of St. Valentine whose birthday is celebrated Feb. 14, was held February 8, at the high school gymnasium. The gym was colorfully decorated with streamers, large valentines, and pictures of "Cupid" himself.

The latest in top recordings were played. Many different styles of dancing were enjoyed by the students such as the fox trot, cha cha, waltz, jitterbug, and the last but not least the fabulous "Bunny Hop" which proved to be hilarious! The students were ushered into the cafeteria where sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, olives, soda pop and cakes were served that were appetizing and refreshing.

The chaperones attending the dance were: Mr. McMahon, Miss Horner, Mr.

Keady, Mrs. Geary, Mrs. Marone, Miss Welling, Mrs. Treachis, Mr. and Mrs. Rosa.

With the cooperation of the following committee the dance proved very entertaining.

Decorations: R. Gould, C. Plotte, M. Orne, S. Marsh, S. Williamson, E. Skylberg, P. MacMullin, D. Calhoun, A. Marr, G. Maloney, J. Kell and F. Fortunata.

Records: D. Hoban, R. Boudreau, H. Murray, J. McCormick, R. Gould, E. Kirkell, M. Beddoes, H. Moe, D. Hunt, M. Grassis, J. Hammond, and B. Brisbois.

Tickets: E. Kirkell, H. Murray, D. Anderson, and J. Goss.

Refreshments: B. Corcoran, K. Calnan, E. Nelson, E. Carnes, M. Micchizzi, M. Webb, James Reid, J. Scorzaro, C. Plotte and D. Hodgdon.

Publicity: Mary Hartnett, P. Kimball, A. Kimball, and J. Graczyk.

Entertainment: R. Howell, A. Cavanaugh, J. Stevens, Sam Cavallaro, T. Nelson, Bob Barozza, R. Coombs, T. Marmiani, C. Currier and D. Sharp.

For this evening of festivity the price was 50 cents.

The Senior Class wishes to express its thanks to all who attended to make the dance a success.

WILMINGTON ROTARY CLUB NEWS

The weekly meeting of the Wilmington Rotary Club was held last Wednesday, at noon, at the Masonic Hall.

The meeting was presided over by Sargeant at Arms, Henry Foster. After a Salute to the flag, and one verse of America, the group sat down to a roast turkey dinner. After the luncheon, singing was enjoyed led by John Collins, with Roger Hayden at the piano.

Acting president Foster, introduced six rotary visitors, four from Reading, and two from Lawrence.

John Collins introduced the new Jr. Rotarian, Harold Murray, of Lowell St., and also had as his guest Larry Cushing, Samuel Garfi introduced Donald Kildner, and Henry Foster introduced Mark Burton. The Rotary Welcome Song, was sung by the group.

A motion was made to make Harry Simes an honorary member. After a short talk by Sec. Stanley Cummings, on attendance, the

presiding officer, called upon Joseph B. McMahon, chairman of the nominating committee, to give a list of the nominees for the ensuing year. The following names were submitted by Mr. McMahon: President, John Gleason; Vice President, Henry Foster; Secretary, Stanley Cummings; Treasurer, Mel Woodale, and Sergeant at Arms, William Stevens.

For the Board of Directors: Adrian Durkee, Joseph Babitt, John Ellis, and Roger Hayden, along with the outgoing president Herbert Pickering.

Mr. Foster turned the meeting over to John Collins, who was in charge of the program for the day. A movie of the Red Sox in training at Sarasota, Florida, and highlights of games throughout the year was shown. The film was very interesting, and inspiring, as it gave a true picture, of what these ball players are obliged to go through, to make the grade.

The program for next week will consist of two Hungarian refugees, and a talk by Gaspar Jaho, of the International Institute, will be given of the Hungarian Revolution.

A GIRL FOR THE JAMES ROBSONS

CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C. (FHTNC) - A baby girl weighing 7 pounds 10 ounces was born Feb. 2, to Mrs. Ethel M. Robson, wife of Marine Sgt. Raymond F. Robson at the Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Robson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Robson of 126 Norfolk St., Wilmington. Mrs. Robson is the daughter of Edward Rausco of 36 S. Border Rd., Medford.

The baby, named Diane Patricia, is the first child for the Robsons, who reside at the Camp Knox Trailer Park, Camp Lejeune.

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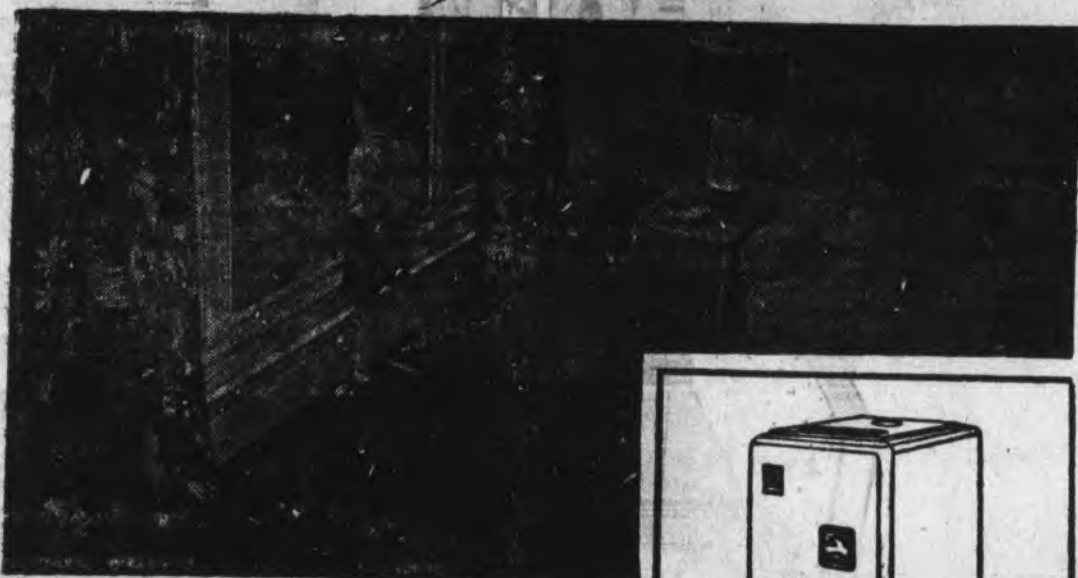


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As My Garden Sleeps

By Mari Gold

February as a whole was a mild month and quite a few bulbs have poked up through the ground. I have heard a robin and at my feeding station I was surprised to see some cowbirds feeding. However, mother nature has a way of fooling us with her weather. Spring weather is very fickle so don't be in too much of a hurry to remove coverings from the bulbs. It is wise though to loosen them so that they will dry and allow the air to penetrate. The covers are placed as a protection against wind and sudden changes in temperature, caused by warm spring days and cold nights which heave the plants from the ground and damage their root system.

This also applies to evergreens. Some gardeners wrap these evergreens in burlap or stand pine boughs around as a protection. It is better to leave them covered until April 15, but longer if the weather is cold and windy. Spring winds do more harm to evergreens than the coldest day in winter. Always remember, it is better to be late with this removal than too early.

Dormant spraying may be done safely in our locality until March 15. After that date the strength of the solution must be cut down in order to keep it from injuring the swelling buds. There is an oyster scale which attacks Lilacs. Weeping Willows and smooth bark trees or shrubs. Mistletoe, bought at your seed store is the best general dormant spray as it will not injure buildings, walks or trellises. As for the fruit trees in the home garden, especially apples, you might just as well enjoy the blossoms and forget the fruit. These trees take many sprayings and all at different dates. It is cheaper and much easier for the home gardener to obtain his apples from a regular apple farmer.

To the reader who wrote for information on cacti: The growing of cacti in small bowls is popular with many people. Their peculiar shapes and habits of growth attract much attention. Many folks choose cactus growing as a hobby.

There are several kinds, but very few of the cacti will bloom in the average home. The only cactus which will bloom under home conditions is the Christmas Cactus. This has red flowers and will bloom from December to February.

The soil in general should not be too rich. It should be sandy, but should also have some humus added. Good drainage should be provided for all species. If a Cactus is

too wet, it will rot at the crown of the plant. One common error must be avoided, do not think that cactus plants need neither water or food. They will endure a few days of neglect, but will wither and dry up if left too long. An occasional sprinkling of water over the plant will suffice.

Unless you have ample room for your collection, most species of "Opuntia" should be omitted. In summer, two rules can be followed: The plants may be kept in pots in the same place you have them now, or they may be planted out in the ground and lifted again in autumn.

I have been forcing Forsythia branches in the house for a week now with no results, but green leaves. Ah! that cold January sure makes it look bad for our flowering shrubs this year. See you next week.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The first Friday after Ash Wednesday is known to Christian women from Afghanistan to Yugoslavia, and the International Date Line, round the world to the Islands of Alaska as: "World Day of Prayer". The ladies of the Wilmington Methodist, Congregational and Baptist Churches, and the Tewksbury Methodist will participate in this program in two ways. The ladies will hold a "prayer chain" throughout the 24 hours when the ladies will take their own turns at personal devotions and prayer. There will be a service for all of these women at 8:00 p.m. to be held this year in the sanctuary of the Wilmington Congregational Church.

Although the ladies will do the participating, gentlemen are invited to attend this service. Any women desiring a ride so that they may attend this inspirational prayer service, please call your pastor's wife. Mrs. Louise Cummings, 8-4434, Mrs. Shirley Harding 8-4519, Mrs. Irene Castillo, Rea 2-0363W or Mrs. Maxine Hickman, 8-3053. These ladies will participate in the service also: Mrs. James Mann of the Forest St., Congregational Church, Mrs. Beverly Parsons, Dorothy Anderson and Hazel Burris. The Wilmington and Methodist Churches will be open for prayer on this day.

May we become aware that the church is "not a number of denominations, but the one indivisible body of our Lord Jesus Christ". We hope that many women from neighboring churches will join with us on Friday, March 8, at 8:00 p.m. in the Wilmington Congregational Church.



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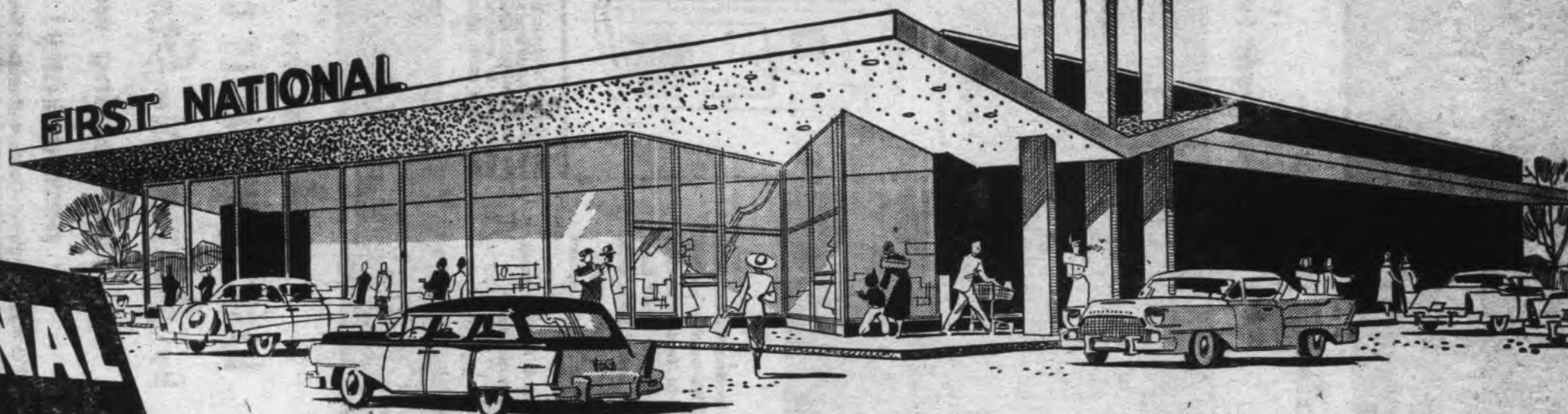
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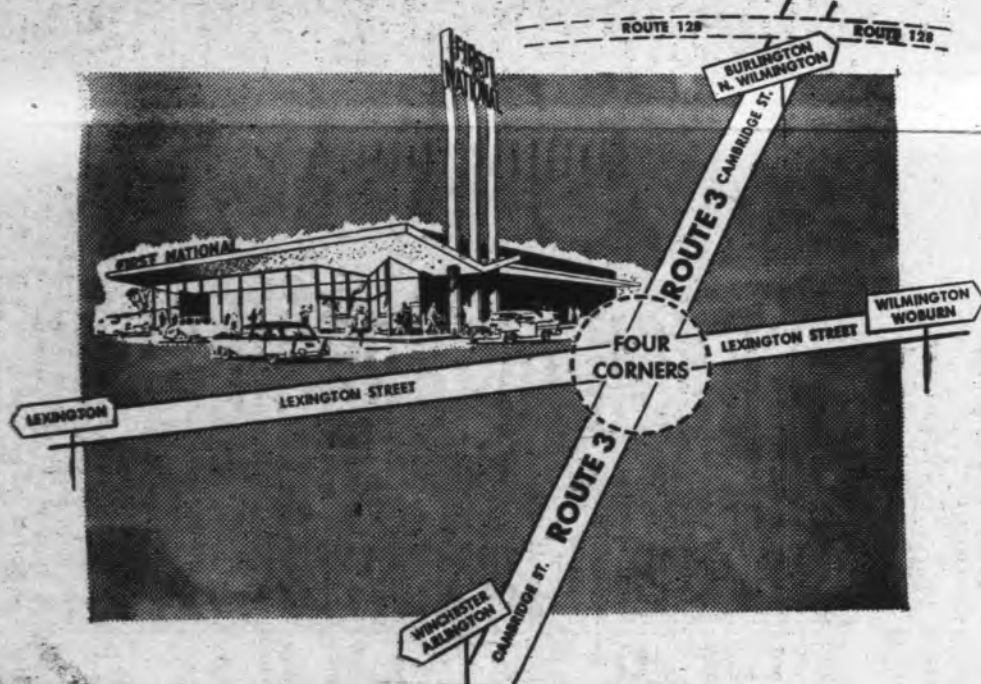
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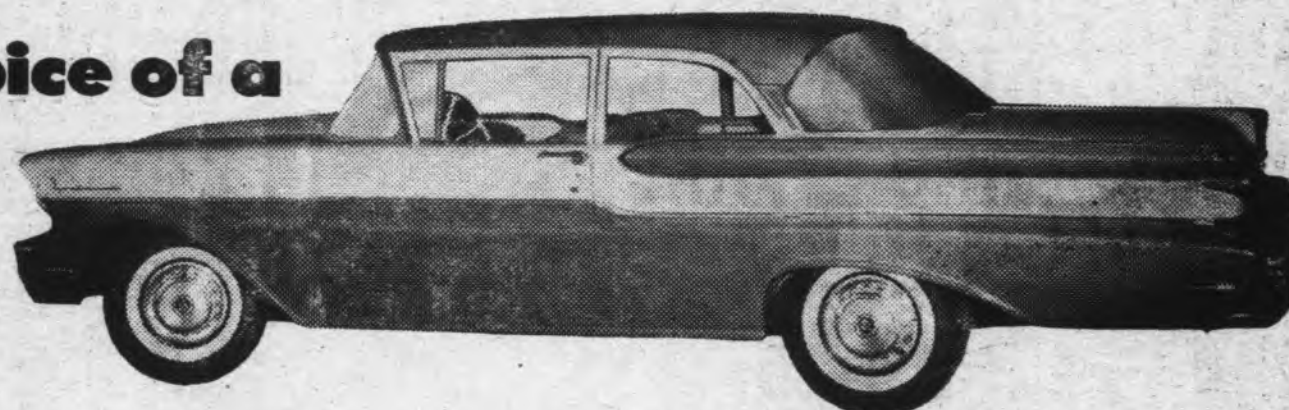
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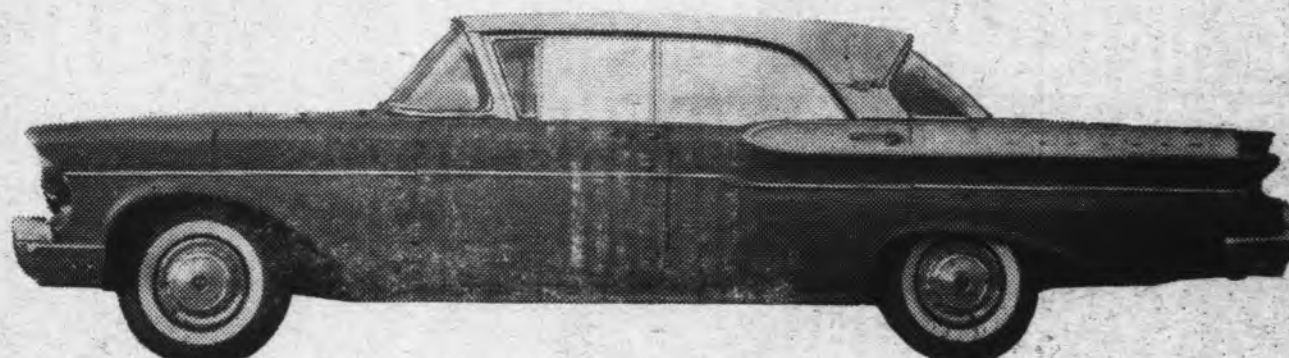
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V. F. W. DUGOUT DOINGS



By Hank Filippone

Are your dues paid up?
Next post meeting will be Thursday, March 14, at 8:30 p.m. This meeting will be for the nomination of Chair Officers for the coming year. All members are expected to attend. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Last meeting night, three new members were voted in to the post, Kenneth Neagle, George Ramozzo and Richard Corsetti. The post welcomes you and are happy to have you aboard.

Of our total membership for 1956, only 46 of our members have paid their present dues, yet we have over 100 per cent enrollment

for this current year. This is indicative of the value of our membership drive which has netted us 27 new delinquent members over the past year. It is my desire to hand over to the next Commander elect a complete roster from 1956, all you members who have not paid up to date are urged to do so now.

The next social will be under the direction of our auxiliaries, Josie Vadaikes, Rosie Lloyd, Connie LeDuc, Higgie and Jean Moore. The menu will consist of sliced ham and potato salad, tossed salad and coffee. The usual door prize will be awarded and a good time for all can be expected.

John Vadaikes has almost finished remodeling our soda fountain and the effect is quite startling. The formica topping has got to be glued and then a coat of paint will finish the job. My thanks to you, John, for a job well done.

A work party is in order for this spring, for the roofing job.

Our Saturday movie matinee is rolling along and each week more children attend. I played "Ma Kettle at Waikiki" last week but I'm convinced that the kids like the cartoons best. Some of the older children would rather see the feature pictures but the smaller ones get restless. On the whole, the children are well behaved and obey you, when told to sit down and be quiet. This is probably the best thing that has been offered to the mothers in town, in as much as the children are being taken care of while they can get caught up on their housework and shopping on a Saturday noon. Fifteen cents gives them the cheapest baby-sitting service they could possibly get, and the children are not allowed to leave until someone calls for them.

The big issue at our last meeting was to sponsor

a boy scout troop. Mr. Foster Baiser, Town Commissioner of the local boy Scouts, was a guest speaker and enlarged on the obligations of such a project, and explained the routine of applying for a grant. It was unanimously voted to sponsor a troop and the application has already been sent in to the Greater Lowell Boy Scout Council. The Chair would like to thank Mr. Baiser for taking the time to be our guest and explain the functions of the program.

Phil LeDuc has learned to his sorrow that he isn't as young as he used to be. Phil tried to jump a puddle the other day and ended up on his backside, hurting his leg. At the St. Anthony's spaghetti dinner last Saturday night, Phil had to be content with just eating and watching the younger folks dance.

The spaghetti dinner that the fair ladies are sponsoring will be held March 30, at the post headquarters. Connie LeDuc will do the cooking and will be ably assisted by Donna Brown, Lorraine Sanio and Helen Witham. This dinner will be held in order to defray the cost of the coming installation, this April.

Haven't seen Bill Bovitz at the last two meetings. What happened, Bill?

Richie Corsetti, who was voted in at our last meeting tells me that he will be down at our next meeting to be sworn in. I'll be very happy to do the honors, Richie, and am very happy to have you aboard.

The Scrapbook is nearing completion and from what little I've seen of it, should be a terrific one. I had taken pictures of the chair officers at their stations but Lorraine called me up and lowered the boom. She rightly thought that we should have been in uniform, so I guess you know, we all attended last meeting with our shirts, ties and hats. Good for Lorraine, even the meeting looked good with the boys in some form of regimentation.

Next post meeting will be Thursday, March 14, at 8:30. Are Your Dues Paid Up?

News Of



Wilmington Servicemen

LEO BRENNICK
IN FLORIDA
MAIMI, FLA., (FHTNC) - Marine Pfc. Leo V. Brennick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Brennick of Boutwell Street, Wilmington, is serving as an aviation mechanic with headquarters squadron at the Marine Corps Air Station, Miami, Fla.

He reported for duty Jan. 21 from the Naval Air Station, Memphis, Tenn. A former Wilmington High student, Brennick entered the service in February 1956.

HENRY P. SOUSA
IN LAND OF ICE
CAPE HALLETT, Antarctica, Henry P. Sousa, teleman seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kazmira Urbanowski of 80 Grove Ave., Wilmington, departed today from Cape Hallett, Antarctica, for the U.S. aboard the seaplane tender USS Curtiss.

The Curtiss has been participating in Operation Deepfreeze II for the past two months. On arrival in the Antarctica, the ship stopped at Little America and McMurdo Sound to unload supplies and to transfer wintering-over scientists and Sea-Bees.

The Curtiss, clearing the Ross Sea before the frigid Antarctic winter sets in, sail-

ed from Cape Hallett on Victoria Land, after taking aboard the last 921 Sea-Bees who have been manning the Antarctic bases during Operation Deepfreeze I (1956-57), along with 36 returning scientists and technicians.

Scheduled to arrive at San Diego, Calif., on Mar. 26, the Curtiss will stop over at Port Lyttelton, Wellington and Auckland, New Zealand; and at Sydney, Australia, on her way home.

JAMES S. MARSI

I would like to inform you of my new address, so you can send me once more The Wilmington Crusader.

My address is:
Pvt. James S. Marsi
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Thank you,
James Marsi
P.S. I'm stationed in Sweden, Germany.

INDUCTED INTO SERVICE

The following men, all Volunteers, were inducted into the U.S. Army through Local Board No. 99, Billerica, Mass. on Monday - Feb. 25.

Robert Thomas Bostwick, North Billerica.
Robert Howe Davis, Billerica (Pinehurst)
George Lawrence Lord, North Reading.

TO THE EDITOR:

I wish to publicly thank all my friends for the support which they gave me on my second try to serve you as one of the selectmen of this town.

I would also like to add that I feel my principles which I freely expressed and which were based on freedom and liberty as set forth by our forefathers - were not much appreciated by the majority of the townspeople. Some of you didn't take the time and trouble to vote at all. And some of you are perfectly willing and happy to have a certain few lead you in whatever paths they choose.

You have a chance in Article 13-A thru F in the Town Warrant to get back some of your voting privileges. Now of course if you'd rather sit at home and let a certain few do all the planning, you will lose that chance to get some of your rights. It is up to you.

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is that since certain things have, in my opinion, been far from right, I have tried to put myself in a position whereby I might do my small part to rectify the wrongs and keep Wilmington the peaceful, free town it has been and could be again. And once again, to all those who helped me and supported me, my heartfelt thanks.

Harold E. Smith

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Land Court

Middlesex, ss.
To The Honorable The Judges Of The Land Court For The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts.

Respectfully represents Thomas C. Daly and Mary G. Daly, husband and wife of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth; that they are owners of a certain lot of land with the buildings thereon, situate in Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, bounded and described as follows:

Certain land situate in Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth bounded and described as follows:

Southeasterly by Woburn Street about 1630 feet;
Northerly about 1338 feet;
Northeasterly 49.3 feet;
Northerly about 647.20 feet, and

Easterly 983 feet by land now or formerly of Arthur W. Eames;

Northerly by land now or formerly of Peter Cassidy about 711 feet;

Westerly by land formerly of Timothy Upton about 960 feet;

Southerly 389 feet, and
Westerly about 1475 feet by land now or formerly of James A. Bancroft, and land now or formerly of Leora G. S. Marvin;

Southerly by land now or formerly of Charles L. Feindell about 1405 feet, and

Southwesterly by said Feindell land about 320 feet.

Said parcel is shown as Lots A and B on a plan hereinafter mentioned.

Also another parcel of land situate in said Wilmington bounded and described as follows:

Westerly by Woburn Street about 2675 feet;

Northerly by land now or formerly of Tyler A. Stevens 740.05 feet;

Easterly 854.11 feet;
Northerly about 375 feet;
Westerly about 195 feet;

Northerly 129.8 feet;
Southeasterly 1023.70 feet;
Northeasterly 55.20 feet;

Northerly 496 feet, and
Easterly 196.70 feet all by land now or formerly of Irving F. Batchelder et al; and

Southerly by land now or formerly of Abiel P. Pearson about 1684 feet.

Said parcel is shown as Lot C on said plan.

Said parcel C is subject to a right of way as reserved in a deed given by Samuel W. Carter to Benjamin E. Beard, et al, dated May 5, 1847 and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 507, page 144 so far as in force.

Also another parcel of land situate in said Wilmington bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by Uptons Lane and land now or formerly of Charles L. Feindell 101.33 feet;

Easterly by land now or formerly of Abiel P. Pearson 132.80 feet;

Southerly by said Pearson land 119.01 feet;

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of Alfred Bookwalter 26.20 feet;

Northwesterly by land now or formerly of said Feindell 107.74 feet; and

Southwesterly by said Feindell land 16.33 feet.

Said parcel is shown as Lot D on said plan.

There is appurtenant to said parcel D the right in common with said Abiel P. Pearson and his heirs and assigns to take and use the water from the well located on the said Pearson's parcel of land south of the ditch, and neither the owner of the dominant or the servient estate shall sell the water from said spring except with the consent in writing of the other owner. All of said boundaries, except the line of Woburn

Street, are determined by the Land Court to be located as shown on plan No. 3964A drawn by John N. McClintock, Surveyor, dated June, 1912, as approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 411.

That the record title to said lots of land is clouded by a mortgage given by Thomas C. Daly, to James Corey dated January 24, 1934, and duly recorded in the Land Registration Office for the North Registry District of Middlesex County as Document No. 10898 on Certificate of Title No. 5242, recorded in the Land Registration Office, Book 29, page 113.

purporting to secure a note for \$570.00, payable in or within three (3) years with interest quarterly, which mortgage appears to be undischarged unassigned and unrecorded on and by the record—or not properly or legally discharged of record;

That for more than twenty years after the expiration of the time limited for the full performance of said condition no payment has been made and no other act done in recognition of said mortgage; and

That the mortgagors named in said mortgage and those claiming under them have been in uninterrupted possession of said land for more than twenty years after the expiration of time limited in said mortgage for the full performance of the condition thereof.

WHEREFORE your petitioners pray that after appropriate notices a decree may be entered on the foregoing allegations as authorized by Section 15, Chapter 240 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 20, of the Acts of 1924.

Thomas C. Daly
Mary G. Daly

On this 25th day of January 1957, personally appeared before me the within named Thomas C. Daly & Mary G. Daly known to me to be the signers of the foregoing petition, and made oath, that the statements therein contained so far as made of their own knowledge are true and so far as made upon information and belief that believe them to be true.

Before me,

A True Copy

Attest
Sybil H. Holmes
Recorder

Maurice McWalter
Notary Public
Commission expires: May 23, 1958

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS CASE NO. 24143 LAND COURT.

Middlesex, SS

(SEAL)
Upon the foregoing petition, it is ordered that the petitioner give notice to all persons interested in said petition to appear before the Land Court, at Lowell, within and for our said County of Middlesex (where appearances and answers may be filed with Frederick J. Finnegan, Register of Deeds for the North Registry District of said Middlesex County, as Assistant Recorder of said Court) on the first Monday of April next, by causing a true and attested copy of said petition and this order to be published forthwith once a week, for three successive weeks, in The Wilmington Crusader, a newspaper published in Wilmington, in said County of Middlesex, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before said first Monday of April next; by serving each known respondent by registered mail with a like attested copy of said petition and order as soon as may be and in any event fourteen days at least before said first Monday of April next; that all respondents may then and there show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

By The Court.

Attest:
SYBIL H. HOLMES
Recorder

Dated February 3, 1957

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p.m. Due to the Lenten Se-

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Every Monday at 3:30

p.m. Confirmation Classes

for young people will be

conducted.

Every third Monday at

8:00 p.m. The Commission

on Christian Social Respon-

sibility will meet.

On the first Tuesday at

8:00 p.m. there will be a

vestry meeting.

On the third Tuesday the

Welcome Wagon New Com-

er's Club will meet.

On the second and fourth

Wednesdays, the Golden Age

Club will meet.

Every Thursday at 6:30

p.m. the boys choir will

hold rehearsal and at 8:00

p.m. the senior choir will

rehearse.

On the third Thursday at

8:00 p.m. the Commission

on Christian Fellowship will

meet.

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Fridays, the Junior High

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B.Y.F. GOSPEL TEAM

After several months of huddling and preparation, the Baptist Youth Fellowship of the First Baptist Church will go out on its first Gospel Team trip this coming Sunday. The team will conduct a service for the B.Y.F. of the Green St. Baptist Church, Melrose.

The group, beginning with a small nucleus, under the direction of co-youth leaders Ralph Flodin and Fred Miller, has experienced deep spiritual growth as well as growth in members. The B.Y.F. does not hesitate to let it be known that it is not just another social group, but primarily an organization whose purposes coincide with that of the church itself—that of winning souls for Christ and of building up believers in the faith. However, Christians can't help but have a good time together as these young people.

Safety Tip: Hurrying home from work usually doesn't save you more than a minute or two, advises the Triple-A. Sure, you want to get there, but you'd rather

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terdam, New York.

The B.Y.F. Gospel Team, however is the part of the B.Y.F. work which the young people have looked forward to for the past months. This is an age when young people, more than ever, need the Gospel of Christ which is "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

In this age of materialism and moral degradation, young people need more than a veneer of religion if they are to keep their heads above water. A young person needs to be born again, that is experience the spiritual birth, if he is to "really live" here on earth, not to mention the life beyond the grave.

The great majority of young people in the B.Y.F. have experienced this "new birth" upon their acceptance of Jesus Christ as their own personal Saviour. It is their desire not to spread the good news as far as possible.

This coming Sunday's meeting of the Gospel Team in Melrose will be only the first of many. Eliot Castillo, pastor of the First Baptist Church is thrilled at seeing the enthusiasm of the B.Y.F. He feels that this is the most urgent need in the Christian Church today, Christians with a "passion for souls" Christians who are willing to forsake the comfortable pews of the church and get out into the world and witness for Christ.

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

March 4, 1957

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held at the Town Hall this date at 8:00 P.M., with all members present. The meeting adjourned at 1:00 A.M.

The records of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Warrants were reviewed and signed.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That Mr. Philip B. Buzzell be appointed to serve as Town Counsel for the ensuing year.

That John R. Evans, 109 Ballardvale Street be granted permits to operate his gravel pits known as the Railroad Pit and Friend's Farm Pit.

The above permits are issued contingent upon restrictions to be imposed by the Town Manager in accordance with the restrictions of the board of Selectmen.

That the application submitted by Elaine Curran, requesting permission to operate the "Wilmington Bowladrome" on Sunday, be denied.

Reference is made to Chapter 136, Section 4B.

On motion of Mr. Black and seconded by Mr. DeFelice it was Voted: That the Town Manager be authorized to license operation of trucks to haul sand and gravel on highways of the Town under the conditions, adopted this date by the Board of Selectmen.

The Town Manager is further authorized to permit operations of trucks waiving the aforesaid conditions which in his opinion will not cause damage to highways of the Town.

Those voting YES in the above action were Messrs. Black, Kidder, DeFelice and Hagerty. Voting NO, Mrs. Drew.

The Board adopted regulations to protect the streets in Town, the details of which will be released at a later date.

On motion of Mr. DeFelice and seconded by Mr. Hagerty, it was Voted: To reconsider the Motion of April 30, 1956 to exclude the press from meetings of the Board of Selectmen.

Those voting YES in the above action were Messrs. Black, Kidder, DeFelice and Hagerty. Voting NO, Mrs. Drew.

On motion of Mr. DeFelice and seconded by Mr. Hagerty, it was voted: That the regular meetings of the Board of Selectmen to open to the public for all business of the meeting, with the following

exemptions:

1. During discussions of disciplinary or personal problems of Town Employees.

2. During discussions with citizens, the publication of which would cause unnecessary embarrassment or cause harm to the individual.

3. During discussions involving potential new business or industry, the publication of which might cause action that would deprive the town of said business.

4. And at such other times as the Board of Selectmen shall designate or by rules subsequently adopted.

Those voting YES in the above action were: Messrs. Black, Kidder, DeFelice and Hagerty. Voting NO, Mrs. Drew.

On motion of Mr. Black and seconded by Mr. DeFelice it was unanimously Voted: That the Town Accountant be directed to prepare and give to each Member of the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager, and for the records of the Board of Selectmen, the Clerk of the Board, a statement as of the first of each month of the balance of all appropriations and accounts.

On motion of Mr. Black and seconded by Mr. DeFelice, it was Voted: That the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager accept and execute the "Agreement For Public Works Plan Preparation" for the proposed construction of a sewerage system to serve the Town of Wilmington.

Those voting YES in the above were Messrs. Black, DeFelice, Hagerty and Drew. Abstaining, Mr. Kidder.

Lengthy discussions were held with Messrs. Frederick A. Smith and John R. Evans relative to the operations of their gravel pits.

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Band Concert March 29

The National Honor Society and the Student Council of Wilmington High School will present a band concert on Friday evening, March 29, at 8:00 p.m. For this event they have been extremely fortunate in procuring the services of an outstanding musical organization, the William Penn School Band of Newcastle, Delaware. This band has won the state-championship of Delaware repeatedly.

A fine program has been arranged by Mr. Wallace Panoast, the director, and will appeal to all. The first concert will be presented to the students at assembly. A public concert will take place in the evening in the Herbert C. Barrows Auditorium. The proceeds will aid the Wilmington High School Scholarship Fund.

The members of the band will be housed in private homes while our guests. At present, we need a few more accommodations. If you have a room available for a boy or girl, please call us at the High School so we may complete our listing.

THIRD DAUGHTER FOR LESTERS

Mr. and Mrs. James Lester of 1 Strout Ave., announce the birth of their fourth child and third daughter, Marcy on March 3, at the Winchester Hospital. The couples other children are Deborah, Sherly and James Scott.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Lester of Cape Cod and Mrs. Violet Hastings of Hamilton, Ontario.

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BATTLE LOOMS OVER ARTICLE 18

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officials, excepting clerical help. (b) Better than 90 per cent of assessors in the state are elected. (c) Elected officials are responsible to the town. (d) Good men will run for the office if the position is lucrative enough. (e) Elected officials feel no obligations to other town officials, in-so-far as there is fear for their jobs. (f) Elected officials are full time assessors - they do not work on other town jobs at over \$2. per hour as is the present situation. (g) Elected officials have known qualifications of which you know and

are entitled to know.

(h) Town of 3000 - elected good assessors, now we're a town of over 10,000 in population. (i) We have the most "mechanized" assessing office in the state. (j) Total cost of Wilmington assessing department is over \$12,000, valuation under \$16,000,000. (k) Total cost of Chelmsford assessing department is \$5000. Total of assessing department in Tewksbury is \$7,300, valuation \$15,000,000. Billerica cost of assessing \$7,000, valuation \$20,000,000.

Reading cost of assessing \$9,880, valuation \$33,000,000. (Reading assessor is also building inspector and

claims assessing is a six months job yearly). Lexington cost of assessing is \$16,100, valuation is \$52,600,000. (l) Principal assessor says he can be elected. (m) Revaluation cost us \$32,000, and we now use a state formula, which all towns follow.

Mr. Cuoco added, "now we know there are arguments against electing the board of assessors, but we firmly believe that you will see and understand that we have found 13 more probable arguments for electing the board of assessors. This is a move toward a more efficient form of our present government, by not being penny

wise and dollar foolish, but dollar and penny wise."

The following is the text of a letter which will be mailed to the citizens of the town concerning article 18.

Prior to the town election, March 1956, the Baldwin Civic Association released a publication which we quote in part: "We do not believe that our Town Manager plan is perfect. In future years, modifications may be advisable, so that our system of government will be best adapted to local conditions and will grow with the town."

We strongly believe that an improvement in our form of town government could capably be effected by the election of the board of assessors.

TOWN CHARTER: - SECTION 13.

Appointment of Assessors. The Town Manager shall appoint a principal assessor, who shall devote his full time and attention to the duties of his office and shall serve as Chairman of the Board, and two additional assessors.

LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD:

Under Elected Board:

1. Responsible to the citizens of the town.
2. Three (3) man board.
3. Three (3) men assessing.
4. Known qualifications.
5. Courtesy to taxpayer's seeking information.
6. Valuation books published on schedule.

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7. During Winter-Spring months, assessors seen in town carrying on assessing duties.

8. Travel allowance paid in accordance with mileage accrued.

9. Assessors work at assessing.

10. Abatement applications acted upon promptly.

11. Appellant Tax Court assumes all assessors to be competent.

12. 98 per cent Assessors elected throughout the state.

13. Freedom of choice.

14. Right to vote.

Under Appointed Board:

1. Responsible to Town Manager only.
2. One (1) man board.
3. One (1) man assessing.
4. Unknown qualifications.
5. No courtesy to taxpayer's seeking information.
6. Delayed.
7. Assessors rarely leave Town Hall.
8. Rarely travel yet receive full mileage expenses.
9. Assessors perform sundry chores, i. e., establishing bookkeeping for Water Dept., and Principal Assessor has taken over most of the duties of the Town Manager while the Town Manager is away.
10. No definite schedule for action on abatements.
11. Is he?
12. 2 per cent appointed in the state.
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WOBURN YOUTH SENTENCED

Leo S. Carey, 20, of Salem Street, Woburn, was sentenced to 6 months in the house of correction, on a charge of assault and battery. Carey, a former golden gloves boxer, was convicted of assault on a rookie Reading policeman, Paul J. Murphy, at a rock and roll session, in Reading, last Saturday night.

A plea for suspension of sentence was denied by Judge Henchey of the Woburn District Court. Carey was awaiting a call into the service.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE TO BE SPONSORED BY WOMEN OF PROTESTANT CHURCHES

Friday, March 8 at 8 p.m. in the Wilmington Congregational Church the annual World Day of Prayer Service will be held. This is the 71st observance which unites all Christians in a bond of prayer and the experience of making an offering for Christian Mission at home and abroad.

The participating churches are the Wilmington Congregational, The Wilmington Methodist, The Wilmington Baptist and So. Tewksbury Methodist Church.

A cordial invitation is extended to all persons, inviting them to share in this service of prayer and thanksgiving.

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CARD OF THANKS

To all my friends in Wilmington who expressed their confidence in me at the recent election, and to those who gave so freely of their time in assisting me in my campaign, my sincere thanks.

Sincerely,
Don Kidder
344 Woburn Street

(Political Advertisement)

CARD OF THANKS

To the people of Wilmington who showed their confidence in me at the recent election, my sincere thanks.

Sincerely,
Ernest M. Crispo
Hopkins Street

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CARD OF THANKS

To the citizens who voted for me last Saturday, many thanks. To the candidates who won, best wishes. To my workers, appreciation. To those who stayed away from the polls, please meditate on your American heritage and try to do better next time.

Sincerely,
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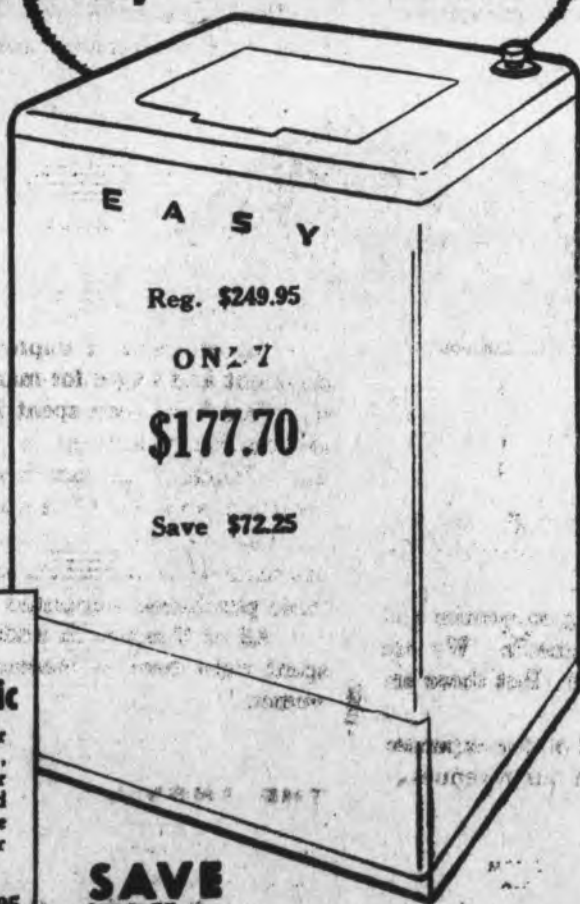
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NEW LIFE BIBLE CLUB

Every Friday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. a group of high school young people of various denominations meet for an hour of Christian fellowship and inspiration. Officially, this group is known as "The New Life Bible Club" and is one of many such group which are scattered over various Metropolitan Boston and suburban communities. These "New Life Bible Club" are sponsored by Christian Youth Inc., an interdenominational organization under the leadership of Tal McNutt, well known youth evangelist.

The purpose of Christian Youth Inc., is to win young people to Christ and then help them to grow spiritually. The most important part of the work centers around the "New Life" Clubs. These meetings consist of a good lively "Singspiration", testimonies, prayer and Bible Study. The Wilmington Club is exceptionally privileged in having Mr. Jim Davis, a teacher at Wilmington High School as its leader. Jim hails from Nova Scotia and has held pastorates in rural churches during the summer. A young man who is right at home in the Bible, his weekly messages are in-

structive and challenging.

Officers of the Wilmington "New Life Club" include: Linwood Kemp, Pres.; Carol Jean White, Sec.; and Beverly Garrett, Treas. Each week the meetings of the club are held in a different young persons home, which adds to the interest. All of the high-schoolers who attend, can testify to the really great time they have every Friday afternoon. The meeting the Friday will be at 3:30 at the home of Marjorie Reardon, Marion St. Special guest speaker will be Norm MacKay, a senior at Reading High School. Norm has spoken once before to the group and brought a message which, as one high schooler to others, really hit home. The officers and members of the Wilmington New Life Bible Club, extend a cordial invitation to all teenagers to meet with them this Friday afternoon.

PAUL SMITHS WELCOME FOURTH CHILD

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith of Laurel Ave., wish to announce the arrival of their second son Paul Clarence, born on February 25 at Winchester Hospital. Waiting anxiously at home to welcome the new arrival are his

sisters and his brother, Linda, John and Bette.

NICHOLS' HOME FROM FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Nichols returned home on Sunday evening, following a most enjoyable two weeks vacation in Florida. The Nichols' toured the entire state, going down one coastline and up the other, spending time in both St. Petersburg and Lake Worth.

RED CROSS DRIVE FOR ANNUAL FUNDS NOW GOING ON IN WILMINGTON

Under the supervision of Mrs. Nina Barrows, Red Cross Chairman, the annual drive for Red Cross contributions is now going on.

During the fiscal year of 1955 and 1956 the Lowell Chapter of the American Red Cross of which Wilmington is a part, carried on a great deal of activity.

One family of 7 suffered loss in a fire and were aided with food and bedding amounting to \$140.00. Four people received full blood coverage in their time of need, 57 pints of blood were given by interested donors during blood bank day in Wilmington. During this time 5 workers gave 18 hours and 4 nurses aides gave 64 hours to help put on the project both in Wilmington and Lowell.

The Safety Services were busy helping with the Water Safety program at Silver Lake; supplies for senior classes, life saving classes at the YMCA for life guards and four senior life saving certificates were issued. In the First Aid Department there was much activity in teaching Firemen, Civil Defense groups, Air Force Ground observers, Policemen, Civil Defense Medical Units and the Women's Auxiliary Unit of Civil Defense. First Aid signs were provided for the highways.

Three ill residents were provided with Motor Corps Transportation to Hospitals and Clinics.

One Social Welfare Aide gave 120 hours to assist the Home Service Department 116 times to render to mer in the Armed Forces or their families or to veterans, Consultation and Guidance, Emergency Leave Verification. Reports to the Veterans Administration and the Military, Financial Assistance, Claims for Pension and Other Benefits.

Now the Lowell Chapter not only must have funds to carry on its regular work but must aid our Hungarian Refugees both here and abroad. Please send your contributions to Nina Barrows or give generously to your door-to-door solicitor.

If you have a five dollar bill to share with the needy and distressed, this is what it will do.

1. Transmit four emergency messages to the Armed Forces.

2. Pay for three trips of 22 miles each to local and district clinics and hospitals for someone ill and without transportation.

3. Collect one pint of blood.

4. Provide Water Safety services for 3 people.

5. Provide 1700 note heads and envelopes to the Armed Forces to write home to their families.

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TALMADGE GOODWIN DIES AT 57

Talmadge R. Goodwin, 57 of 17 Cutter Ave., Somerville passed away on Monday Feb. 25, at Mass. General Hospital following a lingering illness. Mr. Goodwin who had been employed for some time by the First National Stores, had been a resident of this town for many years, having lived on Swain Road.

He is survived by three daughters; Mrs. Vera Flagg, of Tewksbury, Mr. Enid Bernardi of Somerville, and Mrs. Dela Gogean, also of Somerville.

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JOAN MOORE

VISIT AUSTRALIA

Mrs. Joan Moore, wife of School committeeman James Moore, is currently visiting her parents in her homeland, Australia. Mrs. Moore is accompanied by her youngest child while the three others are at home with their father.

Mrs. Moore, who left Feb. 1, is expected back at the end of March.

BOB BABINE HOME FOR WEEKEND

Pvt. Robert Babine, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W.

"Billy" Babine of Laurel St. spent a most enjoyable visit at the home of his parents last weekend. "Bob" is a member of the Air Force, training at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

During his visit, he proudly displayed several medals he had won, among them one for rifle marksmanship. He returned to his duties at Fort Dix on Sunday evening.

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RECREATION NEWS

As the town meeting will be held in the high school gym on Saturday, March 9, it necessitates the cancellation of all recreational activities scheduled for that day. Parents in particular should be reminded of this change which will postpone their boy's basketball league until the following Saturday afternoon March 16. The evening program which is conducted for young men 16 years of age and over will also be cancelled. This then means that all programs scheduled for the winter months will end on March 16 whether it be Ladies night, Men's night, or Saturday Programs for basketball. The Recreation Commission would like to publicly thank the School Committee for their cooperation in making this program possible for our boys as well as for the ladies and men of the town.

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FIRE LOG

Your fire dept. was called out a total of 10 times last week with Monday being the busiest day.

On Monday, February 25, firemen were summoned three times. At 1:27 p.m. a small brush fire occurred on Swain Road, West. Engine 3 responded. No damage resulted. At 4:04 p.m. on the same day, a truck belonging to Percy Newhouse of Taft Rd., short circuited while it was parked at the rear of the post office in Wilmington Square. Engine 3 responded. No damage was done. At 8:24 p.m. an oil burner flooded at the home of Ken Wilson on Suncrest Ave., very little damage resulted.

On Tuesday, February 26, the firemen were called out twice. At 3:03 p.m. a brush fire occurred on Grove Ave., near the Silver Lake School. Engine 3 responded. At 3:30 p.m. a brush fire broke out near the property of Mr. Moore on Westdale Ave., Engine 3 responded. Very little damage was done.

On Wednesday, February 27, firemen received only one call. At 6:35 p.m. a water-heater flooded in the home of Mr. Davis on Grove Ave., Engines 1 and 2 responded. No damage resulted.

On Thursday, February 28 at 12:59 p.m. a brush fire occurred near the home of Mr. Wagstaff on Brentwood Ave. Engine 2 responded. No damage resulted.

On Friday, March 1, at 1:08

a.m. the ambulance was summoned to transport John Connor, 12 years old to Choate Memorial Hospital. While tending a furnace, John was badly burned about the face and head. Also on March 1 at 7:06 p.m. firemen were summoned to the town dump as a section was smouldering.

On Sunday, March 3, at 10:15 p.m. firemen were summoned to the home of Mrs. Stanley at 90 Lowell St., to administer oxygen, but found the patient, dead on arrival.

REPORT OF ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS COMMITTEE

The Additional School Accommodations Committee has released the following as the report which it will deliver at Town Meeting on Saturday:

In accordance with a vote of the Town at the last Annual Town Meeting we present this report of the Additional School Accommodations Committee.

First, for the benefit of new-comers, we would like to explain the functions of the three committees concerned with schools. Our committee has the responsibility of forecasting the future school-house needs of the Town, inspecting possible locations & recommending to the Town the purchase of specific sites. We also inspect old schools and suggest renovating or abandoning them as it becomes necessary. In addition it is our job, as the need arises, to recommend to Town Meeting that a committee be appointed to supervise the construction of a new school building.

At that point our authority and responsibility end. Then the second committee, the School Building Committee, when appointed, has to see the new building through to its completion and acceptance by the Town.

Thirdly the School Committee hires the teachers, sets educational policy and supervises the day to day running of the schools.

Now, as we pointed out above, one function of the additional School Accommodations Committee is to recommend the acquisition of land. Last year at our request the Town voted to buy a site on Salem Street in North Wilmington in the old Harriman Estate and the final purchase was made during the year. We are presently investigating sites in the western part of Town and will recommend the purchase of a site there at a future Town Meeting.

During the year we also considered the possibility of abandoning our oldest school buildings, but decided that so long as the buildings passed State and Town requirements, the Town could not afford to give them up.

In connection with our other function - that of forecasting schoolhouse needs - we present the following for your consideration.

CLASSROOM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NEXT

SEVEN YEARS

Sept., 1956 - Total rooms now available - 78.

Sept., 1958 - Grades 1-6, 57; Grades 7 & 8, 15; Grades 9-12, 21; Special Classes, 4; - Total Room 97.

Sept., 1960 - Grades 1-6, 61; 7 & 8, 18; Grades 9-12, 24; Special Classes, 5; - Total Rooms, 108.

Sept., 1962 - Grades 1-6, 66; Grades 7 & 8, 20; Grades 9-12, 31; Special Classes, 6; - Total Rooms, 123.

Sept., 1964 - Grades 1-6, 73; Grades 7 & 8, 21; Grades 9-12, 36; Special Classes, 6 - Total Rooms, 136.

These figures are published in greater detail on pages 18 and 19 of the Annual Report of the School Department and we suggest that you study them carefully, together with the article, "A Time Schedule on Classrooms" which accompanies the figures.

So we now have 78 classrooms. This fall about five rooms will have to be quartered in public halls around town. We hope that the Glen Road School of 15 rooms will be ready for the following school year. If it is ready, it will be almost full as soon as it opens, and if it's not ready, we will be 12 rooms short at the Elementary level in addition to overcrowding in the Junior-Senior High School.

In September, 1959, we will be back in the public halls for Grades 7 and 8 unless rooms in addition to Glen Road are available by then. In September, 1960, additional rooms are imperative or we will be about 15 rooms short.

Therefore at a Special Town Meeting this year we will probably recommend the appointment of another Building Committee. This Building Committee may then be in a position to request money at the next Annual Town Meeting and possibly have the rooms ready in 1959.

We would like to point out that the difference between the present 78 rooms and the 135 required in 1964 is 57 rooms. The magnitude of this figure may impress you more if you think of it as four Wildwood Schools in the next seven years.

We are not attempting to create panic, but we think it is quite apparent that any de-

lay in the school building program will have disastrous consequences for our children.

Respectfully submitted, James B. Moore, Chairman

Alanson E. Platt, Jr., Sec.

John Bell

Dudley A. Buck

F. Talbot Emery

Lawrence P. Melzar

Arthur F. Spear

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

The Church Cabinet will meet Thursday at 8 p.m. Friday will be observed as the World Day of Prayer for women. The church vestry will be open throughout the day for all who wish to enter and pray, and there will be a prayer vigil in the homes all through the 24 hours of Friday. At 8 p.m. the women of the Wilmington area will hold a joint meeting in the sanctuary.

The Boy Scouts will meet Friday at 7 p.m. in the parish house.

The women of the East Branch will hold a rummage sale in the Legion Hall in Reading on Friday and Saturday.

Church worship and other events will be at the usual hours next Sunday, the first Sunday in Lent.

The East Branch will meet in the parish next Monday at 8 p.m.

The Finance Committee will meet in the parish house Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Announcement was made last Sunday that Mr. Donald Tibbets will return to the church on Sept. 1st, following the summer vacation for a year of internship, working on a full-time basis as an Associate, under the direction of the minister.

CARD OF THANKS

"To all who contributed to the Wilmington March of Dimes, thank you very much. A check for \$1888.97 was given to the Middlesex County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. This was the total amount of all drives and collections.

Our gratitude is extended to Mrs. Louise DeFelice, Mothers' March chairlady and her captains, Mrs. Dupras and Mrs. Maude Arsenault and all their helpers.

To Tony Johannides, prop-

rietor of the Country Style Donut Shop for turning over shop to the Lions' Club who sold doughnuts on February 3rd for the March of Dimes. Thank you, Lions.

To Mrs. Crystille Weinberg and her hostesses for their parties.

To all who mailed in their contributions and to all who gave in the coin collectors in schools and businesses.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Nell MacFeeley, son of Mr. Angus MacFeeley of Burnap St. has completed his basic training as a member of the Air Force at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. He has recently been transferred to Colorado. His new address is: A.E. Neil MacFeeley AF 1331691

3442 Sturton

Box H. 2532

Laury Air Force Base, Denver, Colorado.

TWIN GIRLS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY

Laureen and Lauren, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Woller of Main St., celebrated their third birthday last week at the home of their parents. A small party was held in their honor and several small guests joined in the festivities. A gaily decorated birthday cake was presented to them by their mother and many fine gifts were received.

WELCOME WAGON

HOSTESS VISITS

Newcomers to the town of Wilmington were visited by Mrs. Marion Woller, the Towns Welcome Wagon Hostess. Made welcome to the town were:

Mrs. Arthur Govoni, 5 Gunderson Road, No. Wilmington.

Mrs. Tom Donnelly, Corner of Shady Lane Drive.

Mrs. John B. McLane, 252 Middlesex Avenue.

Mrs. Edward Kelley, 225 Shawsheen Avenue.

Mrs. Donald Bell, Pilling Road, South Hathaway Acres, North Wilmington.

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MISUNDERSTANDING SPARKED FINANCE COMMITTEE DISAPPROVAL

The explanation for the Finance Board's attitude toward the proposed elementary school on Glen Road as set forth in their annual recommendations was revealed at the Glen Road School Building Committee's public hearing Monday night.

The Finance Board listed "no action" for the article, No. 38, and in the front of the recommendation the book stated, "The Glen Road school project was not approved for various reasons. We cannot recommend an \$800,000 expense to the Town and not know anything about it, beyond its possible location.

Erwin Hanke, secretary of the committee and spokesman at the hearing, apologized for the misunderstanding that had resulted in this attitude. Mr. Hanke, revealed that he had attended the finance committee's hearing armed with all the facts and figures and had expected the committee members to question him and other members of the board on their project. He did not know the traditional procedure of giving all this information to the board. The Finance board assured that the omission was intentional and high-handed -- and so the criticism in its recommendations.

Stanley Webber of the finance board wished figures on a school of the same size and construction in the state. Mr. Hanke said this was impossible as the school has been designed for Wilmington is a new idea in planning and therefore there were no comparable figures. Much discussion was heard on "cost per foot" "cost per pupil"; questions on why

comparable figures could not be obtained in this manner and explanations as to why this was impractical.

The method to be used in constructing the school is a departure. The architect, Donaldson Ray McMullin of Weston, is employing a style with small groupings of rooms in order to employ as little structural steel as possible in order to keep cost down.

The building committee, consisting of Mr. Hanke, Chairman; David Eifman, Edward Driscoll, Charles Baldwin, Allick Epstein, Arthur Ahern and Leo O'Connell, demonstrated the thoroughness of their investigations into the many facts involved.

Questions from the interested individuals who attended the meeting ranged from one asking whether there was any danger of the building sinking underground to highly technical queries on construction.

John Collins, Supt. of Schools, who was appointed an advisory member of the board, also answered questions from the audience after explaining the need for more classrooms.

Walter Babine At St. John's

Walter Babine of Parker St., is a patient at St. John's Hospital where he underwent an operation on Monday morning. Friends and relatives are hoping for a speedy recovery as Wilmington square is simply empty since Walter was taken ill.

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